

4-H NEWS WITH ANGELA G. HUGHES

COUNTY AGENT

4-H FOODS WINNERS

Congratulations are offered to the following youth who placed in the

recent 4-H foods contest:
Dairy Food Talks
1st Connie Lawson, New BrocktonROBBINS & ASSOCIATES
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PRESTIGIOUS HOME ON CUL-DE-SAC STREET

This custom built brick home is in excellent condition! Has formal living and dining room, family room with fireplace. Large eat-in kitchen with lots of cabinets. Three large bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Extra large double carport, plus completely private guest house joining carport, with living room, bedroom, kitchen and bath. Perfect for mother-in-law or older children. On extra large lot with great out-back storage or workshop. Call for appointment.

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416 N. Claxton Elba, AL 36323
897-3431 or 897-3785

1st Justin Hughes, New Brockton
2nd Cornelius Burrows, New Brockton
3rd Crystal Burrows, New Brockton
Baked Foods Exhibit:
1st Jennifer Marshall, New Brockton
2nd Shanna Ballard, Kinston
3rd Heath Hughes, New Brockton
Favorite Recipe:
1st Sandra Canley, Zion Chapel
Joe Canley, Zion Chapel
Angie Eddins, Zion Chapel
Crystal Burrows, New Brockton
2nd Jennifer Marshall, New Brockton
3rd Jerald Jirright, Elba
Shanna Ballard, Kinston
Angie Laney, Elba
Heath Hughes, New Brockton
3rd Reuben Moguel, New Brockton
Cornelius Burrows, New Brockton
Meghan Lee, Elba
There are activities for everyone in 4-H. The winners of four different contests are congratulated:
Electric Applied Science and Appliances:
1st Charles Bozeman, Elba
1st Marcus Cook, Kinston
1st Candice Creel, New Brockton
2nd Angie Laney, Elba
3rd Reese Grantham, Elba
Small Engines:
1st Matthew Farris, Elba
2nd Heath Hughes, New Brockton
3rd Jerald Jirright, Elba
Woodworking:
1st Ashley Laney, Elba
1st Marcus Cook, Kinston
2nd Heath Hughes, New Brockton
2nd Elwood Johnson, New Brockton
3rd Reuben Moguel

S.E. AL. Gas Dis. Has Small Rate Increase

Southern Natural Gas Co., a unit of Sonat, Inc., is a major supplier of natural gas for the Southeast Alabama Gas District.

On June 29, 1990, Southern Natural made a general rate filing under Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act in Docket #RP90-139. This filing was accepted by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), under bond, and was suspended until January 1, 1991.

For the period January 1, 1991 through September 30, 1991, gas prices from Southern Natural to Southeast Alabama Gas District will increase by approximately 3.8¢ per one hundred cubic feet of gas. This purchased gas adjustment will be included in monthly bills for the period necessary to recover the gas cost increase from Southern Natural over the period of this rate cost settlement.

This is the first overall increase in Southeast Alabama's rates since October, 1986 and the first general rate increase by Southeast Alabama Gas District since November 1986.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission allowed this increase over vigorous opposition from Southeast and Southern other customers. This temporary rate increase will cost the District's customers who use 30 CCF per month approximately \$1.14.

The Southeast Gas District regrets the necessity of this increase and will continue to do everything possible to hold gas rates down while maintaining a high level of service in 15 Southeast Alabama counties.



The 4-H Small Engines Demonstration Contest winners for 1991 are, left to right, first place - Matthew Farris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Farris; second place - Heath Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hughes; and third place - Jerald Jirright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jirright. The judges for this contest are from left to right Mr. Fred Grase, Mr. David Speigner, and Mr. Bill Pless.



The 4-H Woodworking Demonstration Contest winners are from left to right, Sr. Division, first place - Marcus Cook, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Cook; second place - Elwood Johnson, grandson of Old Black, Jr. Division, first place - Ashley Laney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Laney; second place - Heath Hughes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hughes; and third place - Reuben Moguel, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Moguel.

Farm News With Richard Petcher

Assistant County Agent

THANKS

I want to thank the many people who helped with the 4-H activities this year. These activities are a tremendous opportunity for these youth. Each of our youth's lives is a miracle unfolding and it is a tremendous joy to be a part of their development.

We have a tremendous group of 4-H parents and sponsors in this county and a terrific group of youth to work with.

The 4-H Woodworking, Small Engines, Electric Appliance and Electric Applied Science demonstration contests were held February 4 at the Farm Center in New Brockton. Of the many contests that we have in 4-H, this is one of my favorites.

There are many benefits or purposes of this contest. First of all, it helps to train our youth in the skills of woodworking, small engines and electricity. It helps them learn to work with tools and to design and create something with their own hands.

The second benefit of this contest is that it allows these youth to come to grips with whatever it is that keeps them from wanting to get up in from of a group and speak. For some of these youth it is very easy. We are proud of all of our youth for the effort that they make. One young man told me that getting in front of this group to speak reminded him of the first time he dove off the high dive. Once you are standing in front of this group, you are wondering how you got up there and then you realize you have to go through with what you started. That is sort of what it is like for some of these youth to speak in front of a group for the first time. This contest is an excellent opportunity and also an undertaking for some of these youth.

Another benefit of this contest is that it helps these youth learn to communicate. Communication is something we all need to work at and can improve. We all need this skill today, but I believe communication will be even more important in the future than it is now.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of January 5 through January 11.

They were: William Powell Velma Coleman, Hazel Parker, Moxie Glover, Glenda Chism, Lucille Griffiths, Annie Burch, Brian Oates, Sue Messick, Harro Wilkerson, Joyce Sanders, Lois Edwards, R.R. Edwards, Steven Parrish, Edell Crocker, James Parks, Johnnie Gay, Claude Lee, Mary Vaughan, Mary Nell Knight, Brittany Veit, Roy Strickland, Louise Rogers, William Kelley, Mary Kidd, Mary Bryan, Diane Bearden.

Those discharged during the same period of time were: Jacob Forbes, Onell Coon, Hattie Hill, John Coleman, William Powell, Velma Coleman, Annie Hall, Sue Messick, Hazel Parker, James Cook, Harro Wilkerson, Ila Hudson, Gwendolyn Rayborn, Michelle Maddox, Bell Cope Ham, Melinda Chism, Steven Parrish, Ruth Parrish, Brian Oates, Claude Lee, Moxie Glover, Lois Edwards, William Kelley, Henry Crook, James Parks, Lucille Griffiths.

NOTICE

The Coffee County Commission of Coffee County, Alabama will open sealed bids for Sale of the old Pension and Security Building, and the old Coffee County Jail. Bids to be opened on Monday, March 11, 1991 at 9:00 A.M. in the County Court-house, Elba, Alabama.

Any questions you may have should be directed to Wilson Mobley, Jr., Coffee County Commission Office, Elba, Alabama. Telephone number: 205-897-5430.

The Coffee County Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Please mark your envelope "Bid for old Pension and Security Building or old Coffee County Jail".

Please mail your sealed bid to the Coffee County Commission, P.O. Box 456, Elba, Alabama 36323.

WILSON MOBLEY, JR.
Coffee County Administrator
Coffee County Commission

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DOTHAN FIRM ASKS COUNTY TO HONOR CONTRACT

County faces another possible lawsuit

by Marvin McIlwain
Elba Clipper Editor

Marvin Wheelless with GenCon Associates of Dothan stated that "someone would be sued" if an agreeable solution is not reached. He was referring to the contract to build the new Department of Human Resources facility in Enterprise.

As was reported last week in this newspaper, the contract has been awarded to J. Kinson Cook Construction Company of Tallahassee, Florida. GenCon had previously been awarded the contract to build the facility when it was a project of the Alabama State Department of Human Resources. This was done in September of 1990.

A legal issue concerning who would hold title to the facility arose causing a delay in the start of construction. This matter also affected the financing of this project which involved federal funds. It was later determined that Coffee County should hold title to the building and lease it to the state agency. This would alleviate any possible problem with receiving the matching federal funds with which to construct the facility.

Mr. Wheelless contends that Andrew P. Hornsby, Jr. Commissioner of Human Resources assumed him in a letter dated November 7, 1990, "we are still planning to have your

firm (GenCon) construct this building and will give you a proceed-to-work order just as soon as the legal issue is resolved."

According to Coffee County Administrator Wilson Mobley, the attorneys with the State Board of Examiners advised the county to build the contract rather than use the bid contract price received by the state. This was the direction that the county took and the contract was once again put out for bid.

Wheelless stated that he was told by state DHR officials that their attorneys saw no problem with the county using the state's bid contract price to construct the facility.

In the February 11 commission meeting, the commissioners voted to accept the low bid of \$578,000 from J. Kinson Cook Construction. This price was \$17,000 less than the contract price bid by GenCon.

A letter dated February 13, 1991 to the county's attorney, Warren Rowe, from GenCon's attorneys states that GenCon has incurred expenses in excess of \$60,000 on the DHR facility contract and also, they, GenCon, were required to submit a payment and performance bond to the State of Alabama. According to Wheelless, the company paid \$8,500.00 to secure the bond.

The letter further stated that Mr. Wheelless' intentions are to attempt

to enjoin from being entered into the contract between the county and J. Kinson Cook. Furthermore, he plans to enforce the contract that was originally entered into with the State in September.

Notice was served in the letter that the original contract is to be honored and that any subsequent acts which interfere with that agreement or which result in its breach, will result in appropriate legal action by our client for all damages he (Wheelless) has incurred.

The letter concluded, "We would appreciate the County's reconsideration of their position in regards to this original contract and would request a written response to this demand within five (5) days, to avoid the necessity of filing a lawsuit in this matter."

Wheelless said, "I have not received any official notification from anyone with the State of Alabama Department of Human Resources that our contract with them has been terminated."

A letter was written on December 18, 1990, to DHR Commissioner Andrew Hornsby, Jr. requesting him to "advise GenCon of his intent as soon as possible" on the DHR building to be built in Coffee County.

Wheelless concluded with, "I just want what's right to be done in this matter - that's all!"

FLOOD CONTROL IN THE PEA RIVER BASIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Corps of Engineers & S.C.S. to conduct workshop

by Marvin McIlwain
Elba Clipper Editor

The Mobile District, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the USDA Soil Conservation Service will be holding informal public workshops in Alabama and Florida to solicit public input for the comprehensive study of water resource problems and needs in the Choctawhatchee-Pea River Basins.

The workshops are being held to inform the public of the study initiation and to solicit the public's help in defining the water resources problems and needs they believe should be studied. Active participation by citizens, businesses and officials in the planning process for the study is important.

The joint comprehensive study was authorized by Congress and provides for an investigation and survey to address a full range of water resources and needs including flood control, water supply, water quality, recreation, fish and wildlife enhancement, erosion control, drought control and allied purposes.

The study will be conducted in two phases. The first phase is a 12-18 month federally funded reconnaissance phase. The purpose of the reconnaissance study is to identify water resource problems, needs and possible solutions and to develop the scope of the feasibility study. The second phase is a three year feasibility phase which will require cost sharing with a non-federal sponsor. The purpose of the feasibility study

is to focus on alternative solutions that may lead to specific implementations to address the problems and needs identified in the studies.

The Choctawhatchee-Pea River Basins have a history of natural disasters and increasing water shortages. In 1988, the area was hit by a drought that caused heavy losses to the farming communities. The drought was followed by a record flood on March 16 and 17, 1990. The flood caused the Elba levee to break and damaged the Geneva levee. This and other floods have caused severe damage to homes, businesses, roads, and utilities, resulting in extensive monetary losses in the basins.

To ensure all concerns are heard and addressed, from Bullock County Alabama to Choctawhatchee Bay in Florida, you are encouraged to attend one of the workshops being offered throughout the area.

There will be a workshop conducted in Elba at the Army Reserve Center on Monday, February 25, 7:00 p.m. The Center is located on the Claxton Ave. (Brantley Hwy.).

All interested parties are encouraged to attend this meeting.

If you have any questions or con-

cerns you want to address before the meeting, contact any of the following study managers:

Gary Jones, U. S. Agriculture Department, Soil Conservation Service, P.O. Box 311, Auburn, AL, 36830, phone number (205) 821-8070.

Charles Owens, U. S. Army

Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, P.O. Box 2288, Mobile, AL, 36628, phone number (205) 694-3874.

Ken Murray, U. S. Agriculture Department, Soil Conservation Service, 401 S. E. 1st Ave., Rm 248, Gainesville, FL, 32601, phone number (904) 377-7127.

CITY IS ASKED TO REVIEW SOLID WASTE PLAN

Shriners request rezoning of land by N.B. Council

by Marvin McIlwain
Elba Clipper Editor

Appearing before the New Brockton Council Tuesday evening was a group of Coffee County Shriners requesting the rezoning of a parcel of land located on Highway 84E.

Mr. Hewey Smith, spokesman for the group informed the council that the local organization raises in the neighborhood of \$50 to \$60 thousand annually and supports 175 local crippled or burned children. The two main fund raising projects sponsored by the Shriners are the annual carnival (Chicken Festival) and a horse show. In the past, these events are held on the land adjacent to the property.

After a short discussion, the councilmen all agreed that they didn't feel it was necessary to rezone the property for this purpose. However, they did ask that the group contact any residents living in the area and determine if there were any objection to the proposal. They agreed to do so and inform Mayor Jim Driskell if there were any objections. If there were none, they plan to proceed with their plans.

Mayor Driskell read a letter to the council from Mark Pool, county engineer, stating that Coffee County's and its cities plan for solid waste management had been turned down by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management. The plan included the cities' recycling of certain waste.

Pool ask that New Brockton review their plan focusing on recycling and re-submit it to his office by February 28. The ADEM's goal is to reduce the solid waste by 25% through the recycling program.

It's American History Month

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We received a phone call a couple of weeks ago from a woman noting our belief there would be no war over Kuwait, etc. She felt it was alright to call 'cause we had already admitted our mistake. It seems this woman thought the same thing, but she felt her message came from God. Well, first we feel our thoughts were based on a deep down belief that we really didn't want a war, because wars kill good people also. While we surely didn't understand her message we refused to dismiss it either! Thinking about it at this time however, maybe her message was that there would not be war in the biblical tradition of soldiers marching into battle against other soldiers marching into battle... in other words "maybe no ground war". It looks now like there is a slim chance the Iraqis will pull out of Kuwait without further commitment of American military might. Of course it is kinda crazy for this to be written on Monday morning when we know so little of what is really happening in Baghdad or what will happen everywhere between now and press time... but we can hope.

We rode to Troy Thursday with Elba Mayor Fred Moore to look over that Pike County city's recycling program. Elba must get an approved plan in place almost immediately... it is state law that all cities and counties begin recycling at least 25% of their solid waste and soon. Coffee County and the cities all filed a joint plan earlier but state officials didn't like that one. Having read a good number of horror stories about the high cost of recycling programs, we were pleased to hear that Troy has some parts of their program that, while they were not turning a profit, were at least almost breaking even. One thing they are doing which we really like is giving away much materials... and it is legal. The city crews collect the leaves, etc. and citizens can get a little or a trailer truck load by going to a predetermined site. The same laws apply about hauling to private property, but they can help load the leaves. We have always thought it was a waste of money for the city to have to bury leaves and limbs just like they did household garbage. Now we find a way to use them and help the environment at the same time!

The Army Corp of Engineers has a meeting scheduled in Elba on February 25th to discuss proposals for preventing future flooding by the Pea River. They have eight or ten such hearings scheduled around the delta. This is another step in a long process to tap the federal coffers for flood prevention measures. We suggest that any of you with ideas be there and let yourself be heard. We say that because we don't really care to go through that muddy clean-up procedure again... flood insurance or no flood insurance!

Last Friday we were asked where was our Mercedes-Benz car. We had a blank look, 'cause we don't even ride in one of those often. However it turned out that The Wall Street Journal had a front page story of Saddam Hussein passing out gifts, including the expensive cars to journalists who wrote favorable articles about him. One automobile executive in the Middle East speculated that Iraqi president probably accounted for at least half of the export market for the German auto maker! Well he didn't even offer us a free cup of coffee and we don't expect one now that the Americans and allies are kicking the stew out of him in Kuwait.

Ann Richey and her infant son were seriously injured in an auto accident in Birmingham Monday. Ann is the daughter of Shorty and Olive Ray Martin. The baby was taken to the hospital by helicopter and Ann had to be cut out of the car before being rushed to surgery. Her pre-school daughter was in the back seat and suffered only minor cuts. She did all the talking at the scene, telling police their names, and the phone number to call her daddy. Medical reports on both appeared to be good Tuesday morning.

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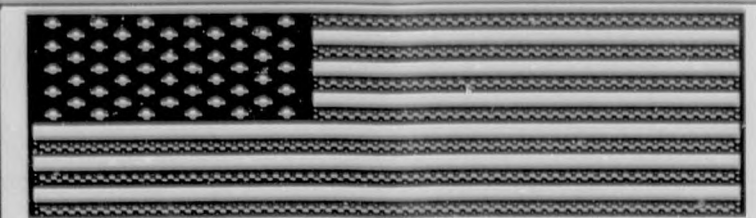
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The following names were given to The Elba Clipper of people from Elba or who have family here and were called to serve their country in Saudi Arabia:

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Perry Barnes
Ronnie Williams
Steven Talbot
Troy Kelley
Marice Ellard
Willie Frank Robinson
Roger Bohner
Bobby Jackson
Delane Holloway
Michael Paul Ferguson
George B. Seay, Jr.
Joel L. Koon
Andrew Robinson
John P. Coleman
James Keith Rodgers
Stan Wicker
Henry Homes
Ralph Lawrence
Alan Farrington
John Randolph Caldwell
Joel Beck
Willie James Stoudemire
Tom D. Lunsford
Jason Murph
James Stepp
Edwin A. (Andy) Hardwick
Kenneth Hardwick
Doug Rogers
Timothy L. Allen
John Corley
David Snellgrove
Kenneth C. Lee
Dale Sansom

They Are:
Buddy Yaussy
Rodrick Caldwell
Tyrone Smith
Ronald G. Davis
Donnie Morris
Robert Hunt
Lester Magwood
Timothy A. Martin
Scott Gwin
Anthony Coleman
Ronald Yohn
Richard Coon
William E. Miller
David L. Smart
Frank Quan
Richard Brunson Jr.
Leroy Cole Jr.
Emanuel Magwood
Vince Fortune
Huey Daniels
Robert Beck
A. Z. Stoudemire
Diane Hall
Charlie Tillis, Jr.
Valarie Oggs Woods
Kevin Woods
Phillip H. Ray Jr.
Ralph Hornsby
Dannie Ray Hudson
Kenneth J. Ward
Mary Stout
Robert Ridener
Terry Oglesby
Greg Corder

Please let us know of other names we need to add to this ever growing list which is updated weekly. ALSO, we have had requests for the addresses of those listed above from people wishing to write letters to them - If you know their addresses please write or call them in the Clipper office.

Annette Williams

POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department during the week beginning Tuesday, February 12, investigated the following incidents: one assault, three burglaries, two theft of property, one harassment, one criminal mischief, one family disturbance, and one disorderly conduct.

Arrests made during the same period of time were as follows: thirteen for speeding, three for DUI, two for harassment, one for expired driver's license, one for switched tag, two for assault, one for theft, one for improper lights, two for driving with revoked driver's license, one for V.P.L., one for driving while driver's license suspended, one for disorderly conduct, one for contempt of court, one for criminal trespassing, and one for improper lights.

Daily activity for the week was as follows:
TUESDAY, FEB. 12 - Alarm @ The Peoples Bank (7:54 a.m.); Wreck at the intersection of Hwy 87N and AL 203 (8:02 a.m.); Fire and Rescue runs to above wreck on Hwy 87N (8:02 a.m.); Rescue run to residence on Kinston Hwy. (11:18 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13 - Wreck at Mr. Henry's (6:58 p.m.); Prowler on Hwy. 87N. (9:57 p.m.); Routine activity.

THURSDAY, FEB. 14 - Burglary at Little Beaver Trailer Ct. (12:15 p.m.); Disturbance at Little Beaver Trailer Ct. (8:11 p.m.); Routine activity.

FRIDAY, FEB. 15 - Burglary at Windham's Power Lift (12:13 a.m.); Alarm at the Reserve Center (11:44 a.m.); Routine activity.

SATURDAY, FEB. 16 - Rescue run to residence on Co. Rd. 79 (7:42 a.m.); Wreck on Hwy. 84E (10:43 a.m.); Routine activity.

SUNDAY, FEB. 17 - Alarm at Haywood's Drug (12:40 a.m.); Prowler

On Saturday, March 16, fiddlers from all over the Wiregrass region will gather to compete in the 6th Annual Old Time Fiddlers' Convention at Landmark Park in Dothan. This event, organized in 1985, is patterned after the fiddlers' conventions of the early part of this century and is an effort to promote traditional fiddling and its importance in the history of our area.

The event will be held in conjunction with the Park's annual Spring Farm Day and all traditional fiddlers are invited to compete. Cash prizes will be awarded in the adult categories for the top three fiddlers. If anyone is interested in taking part in the competition, please call Tony Wilson at 794-3452 for details regarding entry or write: Fiddlers' Convention, c/o Tony Wilson, P.O. Box 6362, Dothan, AL 36302 to obtain official rules and registration form.

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From The Mail Bag

Dear Mr. Cox,

Where's the red light? That's the question I've been asking since Wednesday, December 19, 1990. I am the girl who was seriously injured in the 3-car wreck that morning. I suffered from a concussion, a hair-line fracture to my skull, my bottom lip was cut in half and peeled back, and my spine was broken and compacted. Thanks to the careful work of the Elba Rescue Squad, my spine was not severed. After two solid months of excruciating pain, 12 hours of extensive surgery, three weeks in the hospital, and the grace of God, I am now able to walk. Until two weeks ago, I was totally home-bound. I had to learn to walk again, I can't lift anything, and I can't drive. When I ride, I'm in pain.



Annette Williams

I had just turned 22, was a very active member of the Elba Rescue Squad, and had just earned my EMT license. On January 3, 1991, I was scheduled to begin my internship to finish college. (I went through school in 3 years). Now, I am unable to work with the rescue squad, I can't work, and I can't finish college. My entire life has been put on hold. I have asked about a red light at that intersection many times. Why was there not one there before I had my accident? Does someone have to die there before we can get a red light? I almost did. When I arrived in Dothan by mobile intensive care, the doctors did not know if I'd live because I had lost so much blood internally.

I have written letters to Perry Hand, Secretary of State, the state engineer, Representative Jimmy Holley, and Mayor Fred Moore. The response from the capitol was "We will conduct a study of that intersection to see if it warrants a red light." What is warrants? Does warrants mean that there has to be others like me? Does it mean someone has to die there? There have been two accidents at that same intersection since my accident on December 19, 1990.

How do those of us who are concerned get action? It seems that you can see so far on either side of the intersection people think that it is safe. It's not, it is hard to judge and perceive distance at intersections like HWY 87N and AL 203. Please don't be another statistic. Don't pull out in front of an oncoming car, no matter what the distance. It might be your life put on hold, if you still have one. It is better to be safe than sorry. Someone's life depends upon it.

Thank you,
Julie Sullivan

Returning Student Sets Example For Children

Annette Williams, of New Brockton, has been recognized by a faculty committee at Enterprise State Junior College as a Successful Returning Adult Student.

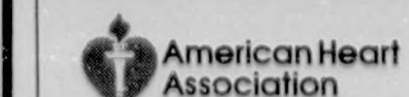
Williams first came to New Brockton in the early 1950's. "Home for me at that time was Macon, Georgia," she says, "but my grandparents lived in New Brockton and I lived with them while finishing high school. Following graduation from New Brockton High School, I returned to Macon and was married to an Air Force serviceman."

"There just wasn't time or the financial means for me to go to school." "At my 25-year class reunion I was surprised to learn how many of my classmates had gone on to college and completed their degrees. I began talking with a friend who, like me, did not go to college and we soon resolved that if it took us until we were 90 years old, we were going to earn our degrees."

That's where it all began and 14 years later Annette Williams is finishing her last class toward an Associate in Applied Science degree with a concentration in business administration. "After my husband retired, we settled in Murphreesboro, Tennessee for nine years. My parents, had upon retirement, moved back home to New Brockton and in 1981 we decided to do the same. I began taking one or two classes per quarter as my family and work schedule would allow and this quarter I'm seeing the reward for those years of work."

Williams is secretary to Dr. Kent Kimball, Director of Programs and Plans at the U.S. Army Aeromedical Research Lab at Fort Rucker. She continues, "In my job I work with a lot of PhD's and feel that my education is helping with my job performance. Dr. Kimball has been very supportive of my educational efforts, as has my family. After ESJC, I am planning to work toward a B.S. degree in psychology. Going back to school has meant many things for Williams. "I feel I'm setting an example for my children, two of whom are currently attending ESJC, and it has provided a great personal satisfaction. I've learned that I can discipline myself to reach a goal and that's a lesson for all of life."

We need you.



Death

Mamie Oneil Patton
Mamie Oneil Patton of Elba, died Monday, January 21, 1991.

Services were held Saturday, January 26 at 3:00 p.m. at Berean Baptist Church, Marion, Alabama with Rev. R.T. Johnson, pastor and Rev. W.L. Peterson, officiating with Lee and Rollins Funeral Home directing. Burial followed in Marion City Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband, William Patton, of Elba; one daughter, Aquilla Patton, of Elba; three sisters, Dorothy Taylor of Birmingham; Bettye J. Johnson of Marion; Jessie Peterson of Fort Wayne, Indiana; three brothers, Lloyd and Herman Peterson of Fort Wayne, Indiana and Willie Peterson of Birmingham; one brother-in-law, John Taylor of Birmingham; three sisters-in-law, Emma Peterson and Martha Peterson of Fort Wayne, Indiana and Hazel Peterson of Birmingham; nieces, nephews and many friends.

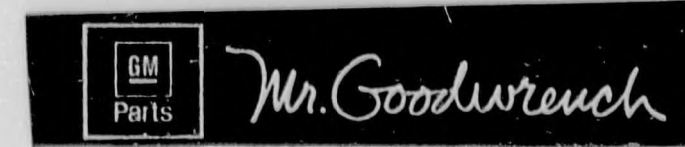
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cassidy of Sanson, and Mr. and Mrs. James E. Thompson of Elba, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of Cindy Wright and Donnan Thompson on March 8, 1991 at 7:00 p.m. at Basin Baptist Church. No invitations are being sent, but all friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Pre-need Funeral Planning now available at Hayes Funeral Home for details 897-2225

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Miscellaneous Bridal Shower Honors Miss Davis Recently

A miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Terri Lynn Davis, bride-elect of Giovanni Veneziano was held Saturday afternoon, February 2, 1991, in the fellowship hall of Whitewater Baptist Church.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Sylvia Padgett and presented to the receiving line consisting of Mrs. Jimmie Davis, mother of the honoree; the bride, and Mrs. Ethel Weatherford, maternal grandmother.

Mrs. Audrey Smith registered the guests at a table draped in mint green with a white lace overlay. The table was topped with an arrangement of miniature peach roses, plum pen, and an 8 X 10 photograph of the bride and groom.

The serving table was skirted in mint green and also draped with a white army-navy tablecloth. Mrs. Tossie Parrish led the punch from

Socials

Three-In-One Study Club Meets February 7th

The Three-In-One Study Club met on February 7, in the home of Mrs. Gladys Clark, with Mrs. Fleetwood Carley as co-hostess.

Delicious refreshments carrying out the Valentine motif were served. Mrs. Conway Lowrey, vice-president, called the meeting to order with the reading of the collect in unison.

Mrs. Carley gave the devotion. It included a prayer for the armed forces.

Mrs. E. M. Warr and Mrs. Jim Williams were appointed to the nominating committee.

A beautiful and interesting program titled "A Martha Washington Drama" was given by Mrs. Jim Williams and Mrs. Buck Smart. This was done in honor of the centennial celebration of the General. The drama was given by Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Smart.

The Twentieth Century Study Club met on February 14th, in the home of Mrs. Helen Smith, with Mrs. Tossie Parrish as hostess.

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Mr. Miserendino & Miss Kelley

Miss Kelley To Wed Mr. Miserendino In March

Judy and Lamar Kelley of Elba, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sherry Lynn Kelley, to Anthony Miserendino of New Jersey.

The wedding will be in Elba, at the First Baptist Church, March 16, 1991, at 2:30 in the afternoon.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Kelley of Elba and Mrs. Jessie Sasser and the late J. T. Helms of Opp.

Sherry is employed by Sonesta Corp. of Orlando.

The groom is the grandson of Patricia Miserendino and the late Anthony Miserendino of New Jersey.

Tony is employed by The Hilton of Orlando.

A reception will be held at the Elba Country Club following the ceremony.

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Coffee County Bapt. Association To Have Evangelism Rally

The annual Coffee County Baptist Association Evangelism Rally will be February 28th, at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Enterprise, Alabama, 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to motivate Christians in the area of evangelism. The association's evangelism council has planned an inspirational program.

Rev. Rick Quisley, pastor Brook Hills Baptist Church, Birmingham, will be the preacher for the evening. Rev. Quisley is the former associate pastor to Richard Jackson, North Phoenix Baptist Church, Phoenix, Arizona, a graduate of Samford University, has been the keynote speaker for the Alabama Baptist Youth Evangelism Conference for the past two years.

The music will be led by Rev. Ronnie L. McCann, Minister of Music, Hillcrest. Rev. McCann and Hillcrest's sanctuary choir will provide special music.

All are encouraged to attend the rally. A nursery will be available for ages birth through four years. If you need further information, call 347-4961 or 894-6411.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. W. Mark Griffin
Zion Chapel Baptist Church

"When You Think The End Is Near"

The War in the Middle East has brought many people back into the Churches. Also Christian bookstores report record sales of books on prophecy and the "end times". Many people have even gone so far as to make bold predictions that we have not much time left on this planet. We are constantly now living in a time when people "think" the end is near!

I will be the first to tell you that I do not have any ideas or predictions about the end times concerning this war. However I do know that God gave Peter some helpful words of practical actions that we should take when we "think" the end is near. These words of wisdom are found in 1 Peter 4:7-11.

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Senior Citizens Of Cordelia St. Meet On Valentine's Day

What a beautiful Valentine's Day it was when the Senior Citizens of Cordelia St. met for their weekly meeting on February 14 at the center of Factory Avenue. Most of the members exchanged Valentines and just enjoyed the day. Some played domino and others visited. Everyone enjoyed this pretty day. A visitor was present and she is welcomed back again. Last week elections were held. The results were: President Myrl Burkett (re-elected unanimously), Vice-President - Iris McDowell, Treasurer - Aileen English and Rustie Blanton, Secretary - Wanda Sasser and Cora McBride. A finance report was made. A delicious lunch was served to the following: Bonnie Wesley, Sarah Smith, Myrl Burkett, Rustie Blanton, Mattie Lou Goodson, Zedie Bouyer, Iris McDowell, Frances Shabo, Lovie Brooks, Arthur Blackburn, Thelma Duggan, Pearl Kelley, Marion Brunson, Aileen English, M. Boling, Wanda Sasser.

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Pictured above are: Anthony Brashears, Sylvia Padgett and Nancy Brunson.

Books Presented to Elba High School Library

To complete a business letter writing assignment in Mrs. Padgett's English class, Anthony Brashears wrote to the United Daughters of the Confederacy requesting free material to aid in replenishing the Elba High School Library. In response to his letter, the library has received books on southern history and southern poets. Anthony's letter was sent to the national chairman who referred the request to the Chairman of the Southern Literature and Poetry Committee. Also, a copy of the letter was sent to Mrs. Huestis M. Cook, of Camden, Alabama, who is the Alabama Division Director of the Southern Literature and Poetry Committee. The chairperson compiled a list of books and their cost which was presented to the President General for approval. As a result of these interested and dedicated people, Mrs. Nancy Brunson, a local member of the Edmund W. Rucker Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, represented this organization in presenting these books to the Elba High School Library.

Elba FFA Observe National FFA Week

Elba High School FFA members will promote FFA agricultural education, and the food and fiber industry during National FFA Week, February 16-23.

This year's theme, "FFA Leadership for a Growing Planet," will be seen throughout communities nationwide, not only through promotional efforts of the local members, but also through a national public service announcement campaign.

FFA activities and agriculture classes emphasize leadership skills, analytical thinking and the application of both to the industry of agriculture.

FFA Week is held each year during the week of George Washington's birthday to recognize his leadership and commitment to American agriculture.

FFA is a national organization of 387,042 members in 6,584 local chapters preparing for careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture. Local, state, and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills acquired through agricultural education. FFA members strive to develop agricultural leadership, cooperation and citizenship.

Elba City Schools' Menu

Feb. 25 - Mar. 1, 1991

BREAKFAST
Monday - Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk
Tuesday - Toast w/Jelly, Eggs, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Pancakes (2) w/ Syrup, Bacon, Milk
Thursday - Cinnamon Roll, Cheese, Juice, Milk
Friday - Biscuit, Sausage, Juice, Milk

LUNCH
Monday - Fried Fish, Tartar

Sauce, French Fries w/Catsup, Cole Slaw, Lemon Pudding, Milk
Tuesday - Taco Salad - Doritos, Cheese, Shredded Lettuce, Grated Cheese, Corn, Cakes, Milk
Wednesday - Manager's Choice
Thursday - Roast Turkey Sandwich, Potato Salad, Garden Peas, Banana Pudding, Milk
Friday - Hamburger on Bun, French Fries w/Catsup, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill, Oatmeal Cookie, Milk

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English Students Attend Shakespear Festival



On February 13, the advanced senior and sophomore English students attended the Shakespeare Festival in Montgomery. The students, the teachers, Mrs. Jimmie Davis and Mrs. Judith Tucker, and the chaperones Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Melaine Roberson, enjoyed the production of William Shakespeare's play Julius Caesar. This program has been made possible, in part, by a grant from the Alabama State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.



Extraordinary Computer

by John Jacobs

Elba High School recently purchased an extraordinary new computer. Money for this technology was provided by the legislature as a result of lobbying by the Alabama Instructional Materials Association. Local representative Jimmy Holley assisted with the passage of this technology funding. Every high school in the state with a certified library/media specialist is to receive \$2000 to buy something in the technical field to use for information retrieval and dissemination. Elba High bought this computer unit with optical drive and placed it in the library for everyone to use. One unique feature of this computer is its ability to run compact discs. The package included

a CD ROM drive, a software package of discs, a high resolution monitor and a printer. The graphics and the information capacity is unbelievable. The graphics are better than many TVs and where else can you have a 2 1/2 volume encyclopedia on a single disc. This is truly a technological breakthrough and the capacities are almost limitless.

E.H.S. Sophomore To Attend Seminar

by Amy Osburn

Kevin Dewberry, a sophomore at EHS, was recently chosen to attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation (HOBY) Leadership Seminar. This seminar will be held May 17-19 at Huntingdon College.

Applications were available to all sophomores, who were judged on their leadership ability, sensitivity to others, and desire to communicate their knowledge to their peers. The emphasis was placed on personal incentive and leadership potential.

HOBY's purpose is to bring together a select group of high school sophomores who have demonstrated leadership ability so they can interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues.

Congratulations, Kevin. EHS is proud of you.

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Interesting Facts

The first woman to run for President of the U.S. was Shirley Temple who ran for President on the Equal Rights Party in 1872.

Nicotine is named after Jacques Nicot, a French ambassador who imported tobacco plants.

The youngest movie star to win an Academy Award was Shirley Temple who won an Oscar in 1934 at the age of 6.

About 75% of the people in the U.S. live on about 2% of the land.

There are more TV sets in America than there are refrigerators or ballbats.

Coming soon! A scale model of Elba's new school complex to be on display in The Peoples Bank.

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FBLA Conducts Meeting According To R.R. & O.



Pictured above are FBLA officers.

by Sharon Rodgers

The Zion Chapel Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) recently completed the February project by conducting a meeting according to Robert's Rules and Orders. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. The next thing was the reciting of the FBLA creed.

Next, Stacey Black, Secretary, called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting. After motions were made by Camille Haynes and Pam Langley, the minutes of the last meeting were approved. Then Sharon Rodgers, vice president, introduced old business by asking various committee chairmen to give reports on their committee work. Pam Langley, chairman of the American Vocational Education Week Committee, told of the booklets, buttons, decals, and pencils to be given to FBLA members, faculty, and prospective FBLA members. This committee also prepared a bulletin board that was a joint effort of FBLA, FFA, and FFA.

Stacey Black, chairman of the State Project Committee, gave an updated report on completed steps in the state project for the months of September, October, November, December, and January.



Deena Grant gave a special report on January's project which was a joint effort between the FBLA and the Zion Chapel High School Concert Band. The January project was special because it was a patriotic assembly celebrating the 200th Birthday of the Bill of Rights and recognizing the soldiers taking part in Operation Desert Shield.

The membership then heard a presentation by Mr. Jerry Roberts from Winning School Plans who introduced the annual fund raiser. Stacey Black made a motion that the FBLA undertake the fund raising of candy and small gift items and that a sales quota be adopted. Pam Langley amended the motion to set the sales quota at \$100 for each member and a time frame for the fund raiser. She then restated her motion to include Pam's amendments and set the time frame for two weeks. Camille Haynes seconded the motion and it was approved. The meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served and Valentine's were exchanged.

What's On The Menu

Feb. 25-28, March 1, 1991

BREAKFAST
Monday - Cheese toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Honey bun, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - 1/2 Peanut butter/ Jelly sandwich, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - French toast/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Biscuits/Ham, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH
Monday - Pizza or Hotdogs Tossed salad, Buttered corn, Choice of fruits, Cakes, Bonas, Milk
Tuesday - Steak sandwich or Chicken

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Zion Chapel 5th Grade Girls' 4-H Club Meets

by Danielle Richards, Reporter

On February 7, 1991, Zion Chapel 5th grade girls met. There were 19 present. First the songs "Grand Old Flag" and "Do Your Ears Hang Low?" were sung. These were led by song leaders Jennifer Glouard and Amanda Sanders. Then devotion was read by Tessa Hall, Devotional Leader. Then club president, Mandy Ellis, asked for old business and 4-H leader, Mrs. Hughes said "yes". She passed out the certificates for the Christmas ornaments the club made. Also, she called out the winners for

the poster contest. 1st place was Ashley Nelson, 2nd place was Mandy Ellis, and 3rd place was Mandy Griffiths. Then the president asked for new business and Mrs. Hughes said "yes" again. She passed out some sheets and the club stood up and told about their crafts for the Craft Contest. Then Ashley Olive, Vice President, announced the meeting for the day. It was "Record Keeping". Then Mrs. Hughes told how to keep a record book. Then the meeting was dismissed.

Miss Sports Queen To Be Selected

by Leann Hinoje

The Annual Sports Queen Pageant will be held Tuesday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. The pageant is open to girls in grades Kindergarten through twelve who are students at Zion Chapel.

There will be four categories. They are Little Miss Sports Queen (K-3), Jr. Miss (4-6), Jr. High Miss (7-9), and Miss Sports Queen (10-12).

The Little Miss contestants should wear elegant dresses. Jr. Miss contestants should wear Sunday dresses. Jr. High Miss contestants should wear tear-length or long dresses, and the contestants for Miss Sports Queen should wear formal.

The admission for the pageant is \$2.

Rebel Basketball

by Jeffery Flowers

The Zion Chapel Rebel Basketball team went to Daleville and were defeated 65-47.

The Rebels led 13-10 at the end of the first stanza. The Rebels then got hot and led by as many as eight in the second stanza but the Warriors battled back and led by three at half-time. The third stanza was a see-saw battle with both teams swapping buckets. At the end the Warriors led by four. The fourth stanza was a shoot out with Daleville outscoring the Rebels 24-18. The final score was Daleville 65 Rebels 57. The Rebels were led by Jeffery Flowers and Dyeris Smith with 16 points each. Jeremy Law added 13.

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ESJC News

Now is the time for students to apply for Enterprise State Junior College scholarships. Scholarship applications should be submitted to the Financial Aid Office at ESJC before April 1.

Academic, athletic, ESJC Foundation and performing arts are just a few of the scholarships available at ESJC.

Students who are in the top 25 percent of their graduating class or who have a grade-point-average of 90 or above may apply for academic and Foundation scholarships.

Athletic scholarships are available for women's softball, cheerleaders, men's basketball, and men's women's basketball. Tryouts for the scholarships will be arranged by the director of the performing arts group concerning auditions when scholarship applications are received.

Forty full-tuition performing arts scholarships are available in the areas of drama and music. Scholarships for participation in the ESJC Band, Entertainers, Singers and Theatre are awarded. Students will be contacted by the director of the performing arts group concerning auditions when scholarship applications are received.

Scholarship applications may be obtained from high school counselors, the Financial Aid Office at main campus or the Fort Rucker Office on post. To be considered for a scholarship award, students must submit an application to the Assistant Dean for Student Financial Aid before April 1, 1991.

For additional information about ESJC scholarships, call 393-ESJC, 598-3438 or 1-800-874-3399.

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Band Scholarships Awarded



Left to right: Stacey Black, Jennifer Flowers, and Camille Haynes.

by Aimee Koutzong

Stacey Black, Jennifer Flowers, and Camille Haynes have been awarded band scholarships from Troy State University.

They were chosen for these scholarships on the basis of their audition tape sent to the Troy State faculty and staff for the Southeastern United States Honor Band. A recommendation was also required by Mrs. Amanda Ford, their band director. A list of all past achievements also had to be sent with the recommendations.

The scholarships will provide the students with funds each quarter, excluding summer, ranging from \$200 to \$300 per year. This scholarship required that the scholarship recipient participate in the "Sound of the South" marching band and TSU's symphonic band. The scholarship is renewable each band year on achievement.

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THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

I don't know how much two-year-olds really know; however, after watching our youngest for the past couple of weeks I have to believe that they know a lot more than you would think. Melanie has started talking a little (a little too much at times) and she is really giving her seven-year-old sister fits. Everytime Melissa gets something Melanie says "mine" and before long they are at war and most of the time Melanie wins and gets her way. Other times Melissa will want to do something and Melanie will utter her other favorite "un-unh."

Melissa has been around a lot longer than her little sister and while that does carry with it some privileges, those privileges are getting fewer and fewer, thanks to little sis!

ELBA TIGERS END REGULAR SEASON AT 18-4

The Elba Tigers closed out the regular season in grand fashion last week with wins over Brantley and Pike County and in doing so ran their winning streak to 10 games and upped their record for the year to 18-4.

While both wins were blowouts, the Tigers didn't really play that well in either game and left many fans wondering if the Tigers would even get through this week's area tournament. I watched both games and agree with some of the fans that the Tigers aren't playing as well as earlier in the season, but on the other hand I wonder if the basketball team is so talented that the fans have become spoiled?

Elba whipped a good Brantley team by almost 30 points and then whipped Pike County by over 20. It's true that neither team was outstanding, yet Brantley is always better than average and Pike County plays in one of the toughest areas in the state in 4A and is much better than its record might indicate. When Elba wins by 20-30 points almost every night out and the fans leave the games shaking their heads wondering what is wrong with the Tigers, maybe what is really wrong is something with the fans...they are spoiled!

Looking back to the wins last week, I'll have to admit that to me it didn't look like the Tigers played as hard defensively as they had earlier. Many times the opponents drove for baskets that shouldn't have been made against a real solid defensive team, and other times it looked like the players were bored with defense and were simply going through the motions. The offense continued to pile up the points and the hustle was still very evident, but on offense too, the Tigers missed far too many easy shots and had lapses that at all times seemed to shrink.

I don't know what's going on...maybe nothing. However, we'll find out this week if the Tigers are still hungry, because both Slocomb and Louisville have more than enough talent to hand the Tigers a damaging defeat.

COUNTY TEAMS SEEM READY FOR AREA ACTION

The Area tournaments are underway this week across the state and all three county schools seem to have solid shots at advancing on to sub-state play. Here's a quick look at what is going on...

***NEW BROCKTON lost twice last week and won't be entering the tournament on much of a roll; however, the Gamecocks will be at home and should have an easy time making it to the second round of post-season play. New Brockton can't handle a team with quickness and the day will come soon when that weakness ends the Gamecocks' season, but not this week.

***KINSTON posted two big wins last week and will enter the tournament on a high note. The Bulldogs have pride and class that have always been evident in the basketball program and while the talent level may be down, somewhat, the Bulldogs still have enough to pull a surprise and keep the season going.

***ZION CHAPEL whipped Arton for the second time in as many weeks and the Rebels have to believe that they can win the Area tourney. Forget the Rebels record! Zion Chapel has a dangerous basketball team and can whip anybody on any given night.

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE OWES BIG OLE THANKS

The Elba Recreation Department's Youth Basketball League completed its season last week and one thing is certain - the season couldn't have happened without the kind folks over at Westside Baptist Church. The church allowed the teams to practice at the multi-purpose building on any night of the week and to play with many minor inconveniences to let the league have its season.

There are always some hard feelings whenever someone lets someone else borrow something and such was the case at Westside, but everyone involved worked things out and the result was fun for the kids!!!

Sub-State openers set for Tuesday

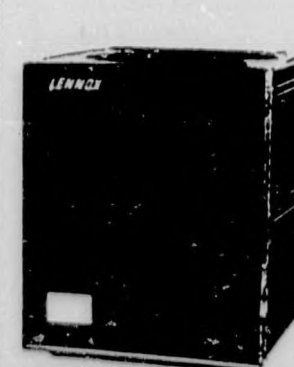
The Sub-State Basketball Tournaments will begin on Tuesday, Feb. 26, at high school gyms across the state and there is a possibility that action could take place at three locations in Coffee County.

In Class 3A, Elba will host the opening round action Tuesday night at 7:00 at the ESJC gym, if it wins the Area 2 tourney, while New Brockton or Kinston could host the Class 2A, Area 3 opener if either takes the crown. Zion Chapel would serve as the Class 1A, Area 3 host if brings home the title.

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Sports

Tigers bop Brantley 91-63

The Elba Tigers pulled away in the second quarter and never looked back Tuesday night as they romped past the Brantley Bulldogs 91-63, at ESJC.

The win upped Elba's record to 17-4, while Brantley slipped to 9-10 with the loss.

The Tigers got off to a slow start in the opening stanza and held a slim 18-14 lead early in the second quarter; however, the Tigers' aggressive

man-to-man defense began to take its toll on the Bulldogs midway through the stanza and sparked by the shooting of Dee Miller and Bennie Daniels the Tigers went on a 24-5 run that gave Elba a big 42-19 halftime lead.

Brantley looked ready to get back in the game early in the third quarter and chopped the Elba lead to 48-32, but Bennie Daniels ripped the nets

for a pair of three-pointers and Ronald McKinnon and Dee Miller scored buckets off turnovers as the Tigers regained command at 66-46 by the end of the quarter.

Tim Whitfield came off the bench to score eight-straight points for the Tigers in the final stanza and Elba easily held on for the lopsided 91-63 win.

Bennie Daniels scored 33 points to lead Elba, while Tim Whitfield, 12 and Dee Miller added 10. Derrick Caldwell scored 21 for Brantley and Steve Canty added 15.

Brantley (63): Person 7, A. Kilcrease 10, Kilcrease 7, Canty 15, Caldwell 21.

(B Game)

The Elba starters sat on the bench and watched the first half, but got in on the fun in the second half as the Tigers buried Brantley 54-21.

The Tigers reserves battled Brantley to a 14-14 halftime deadlock, while the starters had an easier time as they outscored the Bulldogs 40-7 in the second half to post the win.

Marcus Tyson scored 13 points to lead Elba, while Adrian Person scored 13 for Brantley.

Elba (54): Culver 3, Goodson 2, Tyson 13, R. Thigpen 7, Belcher 3, V. Thigpen 3, G. Thigpen 3, Benbow 6, Donaldson 4, McMillan 9, Brantley (21): Burnett 6, Person 13, Battle 2.

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B 12 7 27 17 - 63

Elba (91): Daniels 33, N. Whitfield 4, Miller 10, T. Whitfield 12, McKinnon 12, Rowe 4, Jones 7, Magwood 9.

Elba pounds Pike 71-50

The Elba Tigers closed out the regular season in grand fashion Friday night as they pounded the Pike County Bulldogs 71-50, at the ESJC gym.

The win was the 10th straight for the Tigers and upped their record to 18-4, while Pike County saw its record slip to 3-15 with the loss.

Elba jumped out to a quick 4-0 lead on buckets by Ronald McKinnon and Alex Magwood and led 8-3 with 5:16 left in the opening stanza on a jumper by McKinnon.

The Tigers extended their advantage to 13-7 midway through the quarter and by the end of the quarter were in command with a big 18-9 lead.

Elba's lead went to 23-11 at the start of the second quarter on a three-pointer by Bennie Daniels and two free-throws by Nick Whitfield, and it looked like the rout was on as the Tigers, sparked by the shooting of Dee Miller and David Rowe, opened up a whopping 40-19 advantage with 1:16 left in the half.

Pike County scored the final six points of the half to cut the lead to 40-25 and then made a run early in the third quarter that pulled the Bulldogs within 44-33 with 3:28 left in the quarter.

The Bulldogs rally got Pike County back in the game; however, it also woke up the Tigers, and Elba quickly regained command as it outscored the Bulldogs 10-2 during the closing minutes of the stanza to take a 54-35 lead.

The Tigers lead went to 57-35 early in the fourth quarter and grew to 66-39 with 3:41 left in the game, before the Elba reserves came in and mopped up the win.

Bennie Daniels scored 17 points to lead Elba, while Dee Miller added 15 and Ronald McKinnon 12. Terry Anthony and Bruce Thomas both scored 10 for Pike County.

Baseball try-outs set for March 4

All boys ages 9-12 who wish to play Dixie Youth or Dixie Minor baseball this summer, but have not yet played in the Elba League, should attend tryouts on Monday, March 4, at 6:00 p.m., at Legion Field.

Dixie Minor Baseball is open to boys ages 9-10, while Dixie Youth Baseball is open to boys 11-12.

If a boy age 10 played Dixie Minor last season he does not have to attend this tryout; however, all boys who did not participate in the program last summer should attend.

The meetings will be scheduled at the following times:

Women's League - 6:30

Church League - 7:00

Men's League - 7:30

For more information, contact the Elba Department of Parks & Recreation at 897-6833.

Softball meetings Monday in Elba

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will hold organizational meetings on Monday, February 25, at City Hall, for all teams wishing to join softball leagues.

The meetings will be scheduled at the following times:

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Vocation Education Week Observed At New Brockton

by Marvin McElwain
Elba Clipper Editor

Students at the Coffee County Area Vocational Center located at the county's high school complex in New Brockton celebrated Vocation Education Week last week, February 10-16.

Tom Moates, the vocational principle at the center, said, "Eighteen of the twenty fastest growing occupations will require vocational and technical education, and jobs for technicians will increase by 38% by the year 2000."

"Our job," he continued, "is to provide the challenge of entering the work force with high-tech skills they will need to succeed. We also have the challenge of overcoming the image that vocational education is just for the handicapped or mentally slow."

Moates stated that today, the vocational classrooms are filled with some of the brightest students in school. "In today's world, every student needs some vocational training," said Moates. "It's a self-service world where you have to be able to learn some basic skills such as auto mechanics and home repair plus other daily skills," he continued.

Vocational schools offer students who are still in school the opportunity to try out a career that they think they're interested in rather than going into that field as a full time worker only to later discover that it's not for them.

Employers can also benefit from the program in that they have available well trained workers without having to invest so much on-the-job training.

The C.A.V.C. serves not only students from New Brockton, but also students from Kinston and Zion Chapel High Schools attend classes at the center.

Courses offered in the business education program include: accounting, computer science, typing, office practice and a basic course in business education.

The center also offers health education which prepares students to be competent workers in providing health services. The first year of instruction involves a combination of classroom instruction in the theory and practical skills in the simulated laboratory. In the second year, a combination of classroom instruction, individual instruction, simulated activities, and clinical observation is provided to the students.

Classes in carpentry and cabinet making are also offered at the center. A community co-op program is offered by the center to senior students who work a portion of the day while attending school.

Agriculture (FFA) and Home Economics (FHA) programs are offered to New Brockton students at the center.

The J.T.P.A. (Job Training Partnership Act) is another program offered at the center. The major objective of this program is to identify potential dropouts and to provide services to them intended to keep them in school. Counseling activities are performed for these students as well as remediation in the basic skills for students preparing for either the BCT (Basic Competencies Test) or the AHSGE (Alabama High School Graduation Exam).

The C.C.A.V.C. plays a vital role in the development of Coffee County's most important resource - its young people.

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ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following persons admitted during the time period of February 12 through February 18.

They were: Kathleen McCollough, Cathy White, Odessa Osborne, Barbara Fowler, Bertha Coleman, William Bolling, Kim Pilcher, Daniel Gibson, Mary Johnson, Chance Davis, Lindsey Jared, Tracy Tyson, Marsha Oggs, Leon Bess, Sid Odum, William Adcock, Christopher Smith, Ruth Harrison, Bonelle Hudson, Versie Henderson, Lois Edgar, Walter Hill, Jo Ann King, Christopher Archie, Michael Sims, Joni Sawyer, Royce Dawson, June Johnson, Zack Ennis.

Those discharged during the same period of time were: Annie Burch, Mary Bryan, Brittany Yett, Mary Knight, Roy Strickland, Leon Bess, Marsha Oggs, R. B. Edwards, Louise Rogers, Frincell Hammonds, Mary Kidd, Joyce Sanders, Daniel Gullion, William Bolling, Barbara Fowler, Odessa Osborne, Cathy White, Bonelle Hudson, Lindsey Jared, Tracy Tyson, Kim Pilcher, Diane Bearden, Mary Vaughan, Kathleen McCollough, Mary Johnson, Johnnie Gay, William Adcock, Michael Sims.

Combat Zone Declaration Triggers Tax Relief

President Bush has designated the Persian Gulf a combat zone, triggering a number of federal tax relief provisions.

Members of the armed forces and support personnel in the Persian Gulf assigned to Operation Desert Storm will not have to file their 1990 federal income tax returns until at least 180 days after they depart from the Persian Gulf. No penalty or interest will be charged during this period on any tax due for 1990.

IRS also will suspend all tax return examinations and actions to collect any back taxes owed by these taxpayers for years prior to 1990 until at least 180 days after the taxpayer leaves the combat zone. During this time no penalty or interest will be added to any tax due.

These relief provisions apply not only to armed forces and support personnel serving in the Persian Gulf, but also to those serving in the Persian Gulf combat zone but also to their spouse.

Military pay received by enlisted personnel while serving in the combat zone is exempt from income tax. For commissioned officers, up to \$500 a month can be excluded from income. The exclusion generally extends to periods of hospitalization resulting from injury or sickness suffered while serving in the combat zone.

In the event of a member of the armed forces dies while serving in the combat zone, no tax is due for the year of death or any prior year in which the person served in the combat zone. In addition, any unpaid tax for years prior to service in the combat zone is forgiven.

Taxpayers, including spouses and others acting on behalf of a taxpayer in the Persian Gulf Desert Storm combat zone, should call IRS toll-free at 1-800-TAX-1040 (1-800-829-1040) for additional information on federal tax matters. If they receive correspondence about any collection or audit matter covered by these relief provisions, they should contact IRS immediately so that the action may be suspended.

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Scotty Davis

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Birthdays Celebrated in January - (L to R) Mamie Campbell, Bonnie McLendon, and A.E. Bragg. They are members of the New Hope Senior Citizen Center. They all enjoy coming to the Center twice a week.

Kinston Elementary School Honor Roll - Third Six Weeks

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Local Eagle Scouts Honored On February 7th

On Thursday night, February 7th, 1991 the Alabama Florida Council, Boy Scout of America held its annual recognition banquet in honor of the dedicated adult leaders of the local council, serving eight Southeast Alabama counties and two West Florida counties. The master of ceremonies was Terry Duffie, Executive Board Member and General Manager of WKMX Radio.

After the meal was served many District Scouters were recognized and honored. Receiving the District Award of Merit, the highest award a District may bestow upon a volunteer, in the Cherokee District (Hous- ton County) were Mr. Robin Rainer and Mr. Harold Turner, both of Do- nald.

The Creek District (Pike and Dale Counties) presented their awards of merit to Mr. Jimmie Wheatley of Troy and Mr. David Benefield of Ozark. The final District Award of Merit was presented by the Chipola District (Jackson and Calhoun counties in Florida) went to Mrs.

Virginia "Ginny" Crosario of Grand Ridge Florida. Also recognized from the Menawa District (Coffee, Cov- ington and Geneva Counties) for re- ceiving the award at an earlier date were Mr. Ralph Weber, III and Mr. Gerald J. Kiger both of Enterprise.

Next on the agenda was the nam- ing of the 1990 Eagle Class honoree. This designation and recognition is a honor given to an individual that has made a life-long commitment to the Scouting program of the Alabama- Florida Council. The 1990 Class of Eagle Scouts was named in this in- dividuals honor. The 54th class of Eagle Scouts were named in honor of George H. Proctor of Andalusia. George has been registered and ac- tive in the Boy Scout program of Andalusia for over 50 years. He not only has given leadership guidance to Scouting, but has been active in his community, church and civic clubs. Following a presentation of a plaque and reading of a Board certi- ficate of appreciation, the 1990 Eagle Scouts were named in this in- dividuals honor. The 54th class of Eagle Scouts were named in honor of George H. Proctor of Andalusia. George has been registered and ac- tive in the Boy Scout program of Andalusia for over 50 years. 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Secretary of Agriculture announced today the 1991 Acreage Reduction Program signups will be March 4 through April 26, and the 10th Conservation Reserve Program signups will be March 4 through March 15.

"Under new CRP program provisions, bids on eligible land will be accepted based on environmental benefits obtained per dollar of cost to USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation," the Secretary said. Producers are cautioned that they should not rely on bid amounts which have been accepted in previous years when making their bids. "In past signups, there was a high expectation that a producer could rely on no change occurring with respect to the bid amounts which would be accepted," he said. "Producers who wish to enroll in the CRP should be aware there is increased competition."

CRP bids will be accepted only for contracts beginning in 1991 and bid acceptance determinations will be made after a nationwide review and evaluation. Selection will be based on the environmental benefits

received from placing the land in CRP when compared to dollars of cost.

The Secretary said producers will be permitted to enter the same acreage simultaneously into the annual commodity programs and the CRP, and to withdraw from the commodity programs, without penalty, if their CRP bid is accepted.

USDA needs 30 days to evaluate and accept a bid but acceptance is not binding on either the producer or USDA until the contract is signed, he said.

Fifty percent cost-share assistance will continue to be available to establish needed permanent vegetative cover, including trees, on the accepted acres. Annual rental payments for 10 years also will be paid to CRP participants, based on their bid, except in some limited cases, such as hardwood tree planting, where a longer waiting period may apply.

Further details will be made available to producers in the near future through county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service offices.

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News With Angela G. Hughes
County Agent

Young Farmer Delegates - Lynn and Bobby Baker of Elba represented Coffee County at the Alabama Farmers Federation's 1991 Young Farmers Leadership Conference, held February 8-10 in Mobile. More than 400 young farmers and young farm family members from 44 counties attended the meeting. The Federation's Young Farmers program is for farmers between 17 and 35 years of age. It is designed to recognize the achievements of young farmers, to enhance their leadership skills and to encourage their involvement in the Alabama Farmers Federation, the state's largest farm organization. Baker is chairman of the Coffee County Young Farmers Committee.

American History Month

President Benjamin Harrison United States Treasury Department, signed a resolution on April 11, 1890, declaring Ellis Island a federal SSAR, recommends studying the immigration depot. The same act years of Ellis Island through the placed it under the auspices of the

Changes For Peanuts In 1991

By Davis Eaddy County Executive Director - ASCS

USDA has announced the national average support level for 1991 crop QUOTA PEANUTS will be \$64.72 per short ton, compared with \$63.12 for the 1990 crop. The national average support level for ADDITIONAL PEANUTS will be \$149.75 per short ton, unchanged from the 1990 crop. Peanuts offered or controlled by USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation will be sold for export edible use at not less than \$400 per ton, unchanged from the 1990 crop.

THE NEW MARKETING ASSESSMENT under the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 will be 0.16/6975 cents per pound for quota peanuts and 0.37/4375 cents per pound for additional peanuts on BOTH GROWERS AND BUYERS. Producers will be responsible for payment of the grower assessment where they market their peanuts to consumers through wholesale or retail outlets.

1991 PEANUT POUNDAGE DECREASE: Farmers in Coffee County will receive less farm poundage quota for their 1991 crop peanuts than they had in 1990. The 1991

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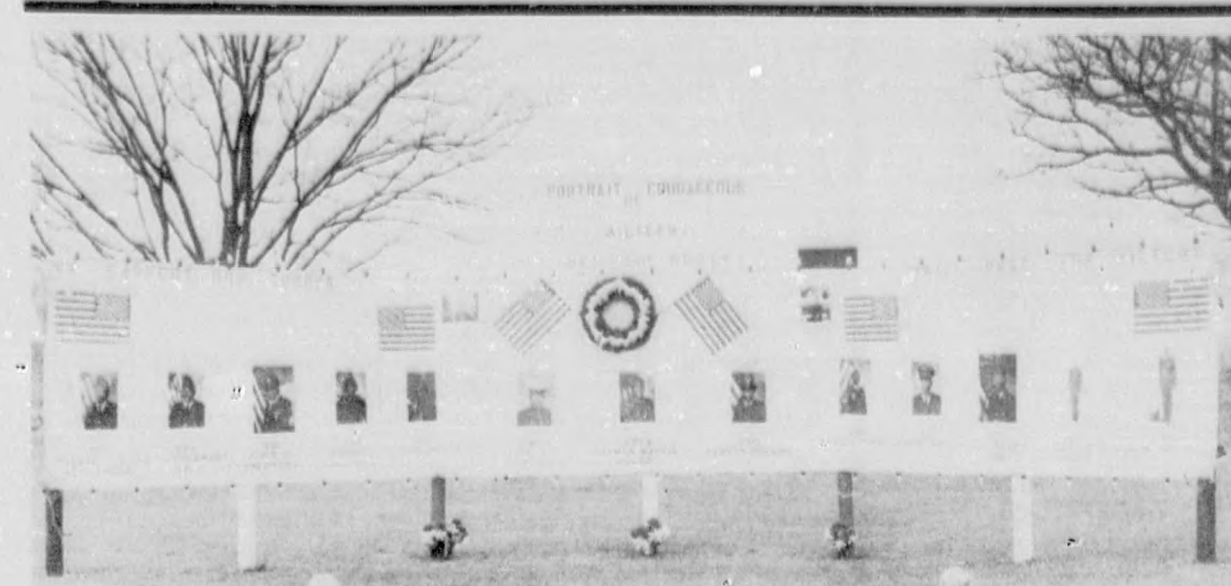
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PORTRAITS OF COURAGE... A large billboard has been erected in the yard of Elder F.C. Roger's home located on U.S. Highway 84 west of Elba in the Curtis Community. Pictures of military men from the local area presently serving in Operation Desert Storm have been placed on this billboard for all those passing by to see. The sign is lighted so that the pictures can readily be seen at night. See a related story on this sign under *Around and About With Elba* on Page 12.

Elba City Council refuses to pay bill

by Ferrin Cox
 Publisher

strongly felt the city had no liability since it wasn't authorized. He added he felt the action would create an on-going problem because of cars now parked in the city streets.

Council members declined to take any action on Haywood's request. Several expressed an understanding of his situation, but added they also had to consider the posture and the burden approving his request would put upon the City.

The council also approved ordinances which would change the method of selling several City-owned pieces of surplus property. Previously the vacant lots were to be sold by sealed bid but the change would put the five lots into the public auction planned for March 9, 1991.

The Elba Rescue Squad explained to city officials that a fund raising project they have going was above board in every way.

The Rescue Squad members are taking \$10,000 donations, for which the donor gets a sitting and free color photograph of himself. The entire \$10 goes to the squad and the photographer only gets funds if additional photographs are sold.

All parties acknowledged this discussion never took place, but the curb was removed and the paving done anyway.

Haywood reported he presented the bill to the City soon after completion of the work and it was returned unpaid. He said he waited until after the City had received annual privilege licenses fees and was again asking for payment, assuming money was now available.

Moore told council members he hadn't authorized the expense and

Judge cancels criminal court

by Marvin McIlwain
 Elba Clipper Editor

In a memorandum dated February 20, 1991 to all officers of the court, Presiding Circuit Judge Terry Butts announced that the term of jury criminal court scheduled for Monday, March 4, 1991 in Elba has been cancelled.

Judge Riley McAlley, one of the two judges presently serving the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Alabama, was scheduled to hear the criminal cases pending in Elba, but he has been re-scheduled to hear criminal jury court set for March 4 in Pike County (Troy). The Twelfth Judicial Circuit is composed of Pike and Coffee counties.

Judge Riley Green of Troy was the third judge serving the Twelfth Circuit until his retirement on December 31, 1990. He has heard some cases since his retirement, but he will not be hearing any further cases. This has made it necessary for Presiding Judge Butts to re-arrange the court calendar.

Governor Guy Hunt is expected to name a successor to fill Judge Green's unexpired term in the very near future. It is believed that the appointee will be from Pike County.

The Circuit Clerk's Office in Elba was instructed to notify prospective jurors of the term of court cancellation. Jury summons for the March 4 court date had already been mailed out.

On Tuesday of this week, sentencing hearings on cases resolved on Monday, February 4 were scheduled but had to be cancelled. Judge Butts was scheduled to preside, but was unable to do so due to illness. These hearings will be re-scheduled at a later date.

According to Elba Police Investigator Donnie Byrd, a narcotics shakedown took place in Elba on Friday, February 8, 1991. The shakedown was conducted by members of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit Drug Task Force to which Byrd is assigned.

The parking lot of Rusty Gray's Cafe was the scene of the "raid." As a result of the task force's action, a Midland City man, Gregory Patton Simons, age 25, was taken into custody. He was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance and placed in the Coffee County Jail in Elba. Simons was later released on a \$5,000.00 bond.

Seized during the arrest was a undisclosed quantity of crack cocaine, a 9mm semi-automatic pistol and a undisclosed sum of money. Also, legal steps were taken to seize a 1990 Plymouth automobile, owned by Simons.

Assisting members of the task force in the shakedown and investigation were members of the Elba Police Department.

Commission updated on missing funds

by Marvin McIlwain
 Elba Clipper Editor

The Coffee County Commission entered into executive session at the close of their regular meeting Monday morning for the purpose of hearing a preliminary report from state auditors. During the session, the auditors reportedly brought the commissioners up to date on the auditor now being performed in connection with the missing county funds.

An audit of county funds was requested after the arrest of Marilyn Ammons, a clerk in the Coffee County Commission office in Elba, in connection with the alleged missing funds. Mrs. Ammons was arrested on October 26, 1990 and charged with theft in the first degree.

Mrs. Ammons, 48, of New Brockton had worked for the county as a bookkeeper clerk for the past 13 years.

State auditors began their work almost immediately after Mrs. Ammons' arrest and have been and are still presently auditing county records.

Commission Chairman Billy Egerton told members of the press after the commission came out of the executive session that the audit was not complete.

"They're (the auditors) not complete with the audit, it'll be ah, ah, another - we don't know how long," Egerton said. "We're still waiting

on some checks that have not come back from the bank which are the back-up checks. They're coming out of Birmingham."

"As soon as we know the final results, we'll certainly get with the news media and let this be known," said Egerton. "At this time, we're not able to say anything. My purpose of the meeting (executive session), was continued Egerton, "was just simply for the commission to know exactly where we were because they're involved - they need to know!"

Oil of Enterprise was awarded the bid to furnish the county with gasoline and diesel fuel for one year. Their bid was .012¢ per gallon below state bid. The commission stipulated that if for any reason Heath was unable to deliver, Grimes Oil Co. was to be contacted to furnish fuel to the county. They were the other bidder on furnishing fuel to the county. Their bid was .011¢ below state bid.

County Engineer Mark Pool asked that two changes be made in the highway department's budget. One was to transfer \$28,000 designated for land purchase in the Landfill Fund - \$25,000 going for landfill engineering and architecture and the remaining \$3,000 for fuel and lubricant. These are line item changes and will not affect the total budget.

The other change was to transfer \$15,500 from equipment and cars in the Highway & Traffic Fund to other

items belonging to her prior to the settling of the civil lawsuit. "We've done what we had to do," he said. "Basically, nothing can be transferred out of her name."

In other action taken by the commissioners, a bid for steel piling was accepted from J. D. Fields & Co. of Metairie, LA in the amount of \$26,312.00.

"We know that the public is very interested in the highway department's budget. At this time we're just not able to make any comments on where we are other than the fact that it's going to be a bill presently auditing county records."

According to Egerton, the papers concerning the \$125,000 civil lawsuit filed December 21, 1990 against Mrs. Ammons have been served and all personal and real property in her name has been attached by the commission through the courts. This was done to prevent Mrs. Ammons from transferring from her name or selling

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